



## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Notice of Meeting of the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the National Park Service (NPS), in accordance with the National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000, announce the next meeting of the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group (NPOAG). This notification provides the date, location, and agenda for the meeting.

**DATES:** The NPOAG will meet on March 8-9, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place in the Room C210 located in the Georgia World Congress Center, 285 Andrew Young International Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30313. The meeting will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on March 8 and from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on March 9, 2023. This NPOAG meeting will be open to the public.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000 (NPATMA), enacted on April 5, 2000, as Public Law 106-181, required the establishment of the NPOAG within one year after its enactment. The Act requires that the NPOAG be a balanced group of representatives of general aviation, commercial air tour operations, environmental concerns, and Native American tribes. The Administrator of the FAA and the Director of NPS (or their designees) serve as ex officio members of the group. Representatives of the Administrator and Director serve alternating 1-year terms as chairperson of the advisory group.

The duties of the NPOAG include providing advice, information, and recommendations to the FAA Administrator and the NPS Director on; implementation of Public Law 106-181; quiet aircraft technology; other measures that might accommodate interests to visitors of national parks; and at the request of the Administrator and the Director, on safety, environmental, and other issues related to commercial air tour operations over national parks or Tribal lands.

### **Agenda for the March 8-9, 2023 NPOAG Meeting**

The agenda for the meeting will include, but is not limited to, an update on ongoing park specific air tour management plans or voluntary agreements, status of agency implementation of court approved plan / schedule, update on environmental review process and special purpose law consultations, and public comment review process.

### **Attendance at the Meeting and Submission of Written Comments**

Although this is not a public meeting, interested persons may attend. Because seating is limited, if you plan to attend please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** no later than February 22, 2023 so that meeting space may be made to accommodate all attendees. Written comments regarding the meeting will be accepted directly from attendees or may be sent to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

### **Record of the Meeting**

If you cannot attend the NPOAG meeting, a summary record of the meeting will be made available under the NPOAG section of the FAA ATMP web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/arc/programs/air\\_tour\\_management\\_plan/parks\\_overflights\\_group/minutes.cfm](http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/arc/programs/air_tour_management_plan/parks_overflights_group/minutes.cfm) or through the Office of Environment and Energy, 800 Independence Ave SW, Suite 900W, Washington, DC 20591, telephone: (202) 267-0928.

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